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OF VARIABLE BIT RATE VIDEO
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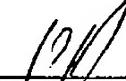
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AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**Sir:**

In response to the Final Rejection dated November 18, 2002 and the Advisory Action dated March 18, 2003, the Applicant has concurrently herewith filed a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and respectfully requests the Examiner to amend the above-identified application as follows and further respectfully solicits the Examiner to reconsider the above-identified application in view of the amendments and the following remarks.

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